## LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

## **REPORT FORM**

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review to assure that all pertinent information is accounted for. <u>Attach additional pages or files as necessary</u>. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <<u>zoiseaux@lusfiber.net></u>.

1. English and Scientific names: Gray Kingbird Tyrannus dominicensis

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):1

- 3. Parish: Plaquemines Specific Locality: Pass a Loutre WMA headquarters
- 4. Date(s) when observed: 4.20.15
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed:1640
- 6. Reporting observer and address: Dan O'Malley, Baton Rouge

7. <u>Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Michael Seymour, Sam Holcomb</u>

8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Sun behind observers, overcast skies

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):EO Ranger 8x42, good

11. Distance to bird(s): ~50 meters

12. Duration of observation: ~10 minutes

13. Habitat: Mowed lawn with scattered trees, surrounded by open water and Phragmites marsh

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Flycatching from guy wires, stunted trees

15. Description (include only what was actually seen, *not what "should" have been seen;* include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species; body bulk, shape, proportions; bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): Kingbird with large bill, notched tail, black mask, gray dorsally, whitish underparts.

16. Voice: NA

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Eastern Kingbird by notched tail, lack white terminal tail band, gray, not black upperparts, and bill size

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photos by Dan O'Malley (attached) and Michael Seymour

19. Previous experience with this species: Seen numerous times in LA and FL

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: None

b. after observation: Nat Geo, Sibley

21. This description is written from:

	notes made during the observatio	n. Are notes attached?
	notes made after the observation.	At what date?
Х	memory	
	study of images	

22. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain: Yes

23. Date: 7/1/15 Time:1945

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or

portions of this report on its website? \_\_\_\_\_yes\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, may we include your name with the report? \_\_\_\_yes\_\_\_\_\_

